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**REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER SELECTED TO SERVE ON
KATRINA MEMORIAL COMMISSION**



State Representative Nita Rusich Hutter has been appointed by Governor Blanco to serve on the Hurricane Katrina Memorial Commission.

The commission was created by House Bill 1354 (Act 740) of the 2006 Regular Session. The goal of the commission is to make recommendations for an appropriate memorial to commemorate those who lost their lives in Louisiana in Hurricane Katrina, as well as a site or sites for the memorial.

"It is truly an honor to serve on this committee. I am humbled to work on the memorial, which will be dedicated to those who suffered the greatest loss of all in this horrific storm."

The commission is composed of 11 members. Representative Hutter is one of four appointments made by the Governor. Senate confirmation is required of all four gubernatorial appointments.

Under the legislation, the Governor is required to call the first meeting of the commission by the end of September, 2006. The commission's

recommendations for the memorial, including an appropriate site or sites, must be submitted to the Louisiana Legislature no later than March 1, 2007. The commission will terminate on December 31, 2007.

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